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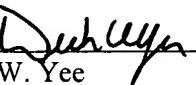
- 29 Pages of Specification including an Abstract
 10 Pages of Claims (Claims 1 - 27)
 11 Sheet(s) of formal drawings
 A Declaration and Power of Attorney
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1. Transmittal Letter in duplicate;
2. Declaration and Power of Attorney (1);
3. Patent Application (29 pgs. spec. & abstract, 10 pgs. Claims 1 - 27);
4. 11 pages of formal drawings;
5. Information Disclosure Statement;
6. Form PTO 1449; and
7. Two return postcards.